

General

The week began with scattered thunderstorms mainly in the central and southern portions of the state. Warm temperatures and overcast skies were observed during the week. The week ended with clear and warm conditions. There were 6.0 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 4% very short, 37% short, 56% adequate and 3% surplus.

Crops

Corn crop conditions were mostly good with 7% of the crop tasseled. Farmers continued to apply fertilize and irrigate the corn crop. Soybean planting was 85% complete with 72% of the crop emerged. The crop was in fair to mostly good condition. The sorghum emerged stage was completed last week with the crop remaining in mostly fair to good condition. Cotton planting was also completed last week with 4% of the crop squared. The crop remained in mostly fair to good condition. The rice emerged stage was completed last week. Farmers continued applying nitrogen, first flood and weed control to the crop. The crop condition remained fair to mostly good. Winter wheat harvest was at 27% complete. Farmers were busy burning off the stalks from harvested fields to prepare land for soybean planting.

Livestock

Livestock remained in good condition. Hay harvesting continued in several counties. Farmers were also busy fertilizing pastures. Hay and pasture conditions were fair to mostly good. Alfalfa hay conditions were mostly good.

Percent of Progress

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2005	5 Year Avg
Corn	Silked	7	0	2	0
Cotton	Planted	100	98	100	98
	Emerged	97	88	98	90
	Squared	4	1	12	10
Rice	Emerged	100	98	98	96
Sorghum	Emerged	100	98	98	94
Soybeans	Planted	85	77	86	70
	Emerged	72	59	74	59
Wheat	Harvested	27	9	4	9

Condition in Percentages

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	0	0	29	50	21
Cotton	1	17	40	34	8
Rice	1	8	31	44	16
Sorghum	0	10	48	34	8
Soybeans	2	8	36	43	11
Wheat	0	5	17	54	24
Hay-Other	0	5	38	53	4
Hay-Alfalfa	0	1	70	27	2
Pasture & Range	1	8	35	52	4

